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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS****PATENT**

Applicant: Roger Acey  
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AND ASSOCIATED METHODS  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is hereby submitted with the following amendment in response to the final office action mailed August 25, 2005. Favorable consideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.